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PRAYER
UNTO THE
GLORIOUS VIRGIN
MARY
Mother of God.

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tection and care of his Vicar St. *John*; take pity, I beseech you, on my Poverty and Wants, have compassion on my anxiety and cares, help and comfort me in all my Infirmities and miseries whatsoever. You are the Mother of mercies, the sweet comfort of the afflicted and desolate, the only refuge of all needy and Orphans. Cast then an eye of pitty on the Tears of a miserable, forlorn Wretch, and hear my Prayers, and seeing [for just punishment of my sins] I am surrounded with many Evils, and much Anguish, unto whom shall I have Recourse, or where can I be more

more ſecurely ſheltered, than under the Mantle of your Motherly protection, O Virgin *Mary*, my ſweeteſt *Lady*, Mother of my Lord and Saviour *Jeſus Chriſt*, comfort and redreſs of our loſt Nature. Lend therefore, I beſeech you, an Ear of compaſſion and pitty, to my humble Requeſts and Prayers; I beg it, by thoſe bowels of Mercy of your dearest Son; by that ſweetneſs wherewith he embraced our humane Nature, when delibe-rating with the two other Divine Perſons, and with ſecret power of the Holy Ghoſt (your conſent firſt being by

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the Angel demanded and obtained] GOD BECAME MAN, and Nine Months expired, vouchsafing mercifully to visit the World with his gracious Presence, came forth from the chast inclosure of your Virginal Womb; I beg it by that anguish of mind, which your aforesaid dear Son, our Lord *Jesus Christ* indured at Mount *Olivet*, beseeching his Heavenly Father to take away [if possible] that bitter Chalice of his future Passion; by his three times repeated Prayer in the Garden, and your mournful Steps, when with Tears you accompanied him to that dole-

ful ſpectacle of his Death and Sufferings; by his Whips, Scoffs, Cords, Ignominies, falſe Accuſations and unjuſt Condemnation; by that Garment gain'd at a Caſt at Dice, by his Tears, and Drops of bloody Sweat; by his ſilence and patience, by his fear, ſadneſs, and grief of Heart; by his Confuſion and Baſhfulneſs, hanging naked on a Croſs, in your preſence, and in ſight of the whole World; by his Royal Head pierc'd with Thorns, and ſtruck with a Reed; by his Thirſt and painful Potion of Vinegar and Gall; by that Lance that pierc'd his Sacred Side, and by that Blood

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and Water, which flowing thence, did ſhowre on us plenty of mercy and grace; by thoſe Nails ſtruck into his Hands and Feet; by that precious Soul, and ſweet Spirit, which he (crying with a loud voice, *My God, my God, why haſt thou forſaken me*) recommended to his Heavenly Father, and with an inclined head, gave up the Ghoſt; ſaying, *All is conſummated*, by the rending of the Rocks, and tearing of the Vail of the Temple, by the Earth quake and darkning of the Sun and Moon, by his mercy ſhewed to the good Thief; by his adorable Croſs and bitter Paſſion; by his

his deſcent to Hell, and all thoſe Souls which he comforted with his glorious ſight; by the joy, glory, and Victory of his Holy Reſurrection, appearing unto you, his Elect Virgin-Mother, and to the reſt of his Diſciples for forty days; by his admirable Aſcenſion, when you all beholding him, he was elevated into Heaven; by the Grace of the Holy *Paraclet*, which he in fiery Tongues infuſed into the hearts of his Diſciples, and by their zeal inflamed the reſt of the Univers by that laſt and dreadful day, when he ſhall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world in fire;

fire; by all the compaſſion he bore you in this life; by the raviſhing ſweetneſs of his eyes; and by the ineffable joy you felt, being in his ſight aſſumed into Heaven; where, World without end, you live and rejoyce in him: Comfort my heart, and hear this my Prayer, for which I am your humble Suppliant. (*Ask here Devoutly whatſoever you pleaſe.*) And as I am confident he can refuſe nothing unto you, and doth honour you, ſo let me ſpeedily, fully, and efficaciouſly experience your Help and Comfort, according to the ſweetneſs of your Motherly, and of his

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Filial loving heart, who granteth mercifully the requeſt of all that love him, and doth the will of all that fear him. Wherefore O moſt B. V. *Mary* (according to my preſent need in this, and in all other things whatſoever, for the which I humbly invoke your Sacred Name and Aſſiſtance) obtain for me of your deareſt Son our Lord God, firm hope in the Catholick Faith, perfect Charity, true Contrition of Heart, a Fountain of Tears, ſincere Confeſſion, and refraining from ſin, condign Satisfaction, Love of God and my Neighbour, contempt of the world, and true

true Patience, to ſuffer affronts, ignominies, and (if need be) an approbrious Death, for Love of your Son our Redeemer *Jeſus Chriſt*. Obtain for me perſeverance in good works, performance of my good Purpoſes and Vows, Mortification of Self-will, Converſation pleaſing unto you, and in the laſt hour of my Life, a ſtrong and true Repentance, and preſence to my ſelf in Word and Mind, and a happy Death. Laſtly, for the Souls of my Parents, Brothers, Siſters, Benefactors alive and dead, obtain for us all, I beſeech you, Life everlaſting. *Amen.*

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Another ſhort Prayer to the ſame.

HAil Bleſſed Virgin *Mary*, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven, Gate of Paradiſe, & *Lady* of the world. Thou art a ſingular pure Virgin. Thou wert conceived without Sin, conceivedſt alſo, and brought forth without blemiſh, your Son *Jeſus*, the Creatour and Redeemer of the world. All this do I believe undoubtedly. Pray for me to *Jeſus* your beloved Son, and free me from all Evil. *Amen.*

A Devout Prayer to our Lord Jeſus Chriſt.

GLory, Honour, and Praiſe be to our Lord Jeſus Chriſt; may all the world adore thee; Bleſſed be thy Holy Name, who for us Sinners vouchſafedſt to be born of an humble Virgin; and bleſſed be thine infinite Goodneſs, who diedſt upon the Croſs for our Redemption.

O Jeſus, Son of God, and Saviour of Mankind, We beſeech thee, have mercy on us, and ſo diſpoſe our Lives here by thy Grace, that we may hereafter rejoyce with thee for ever in thy Heavenly Kingdom. Amen.